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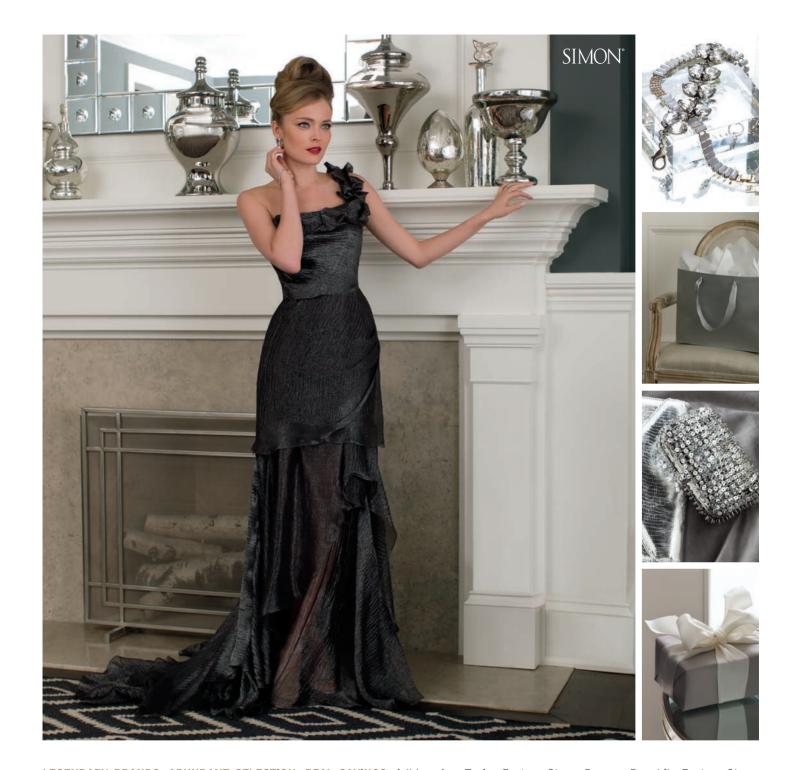


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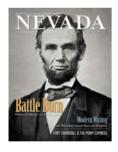
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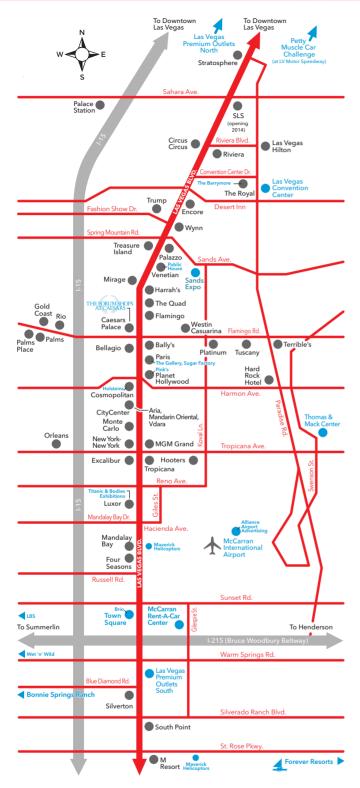
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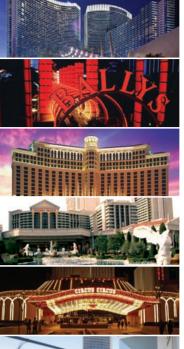
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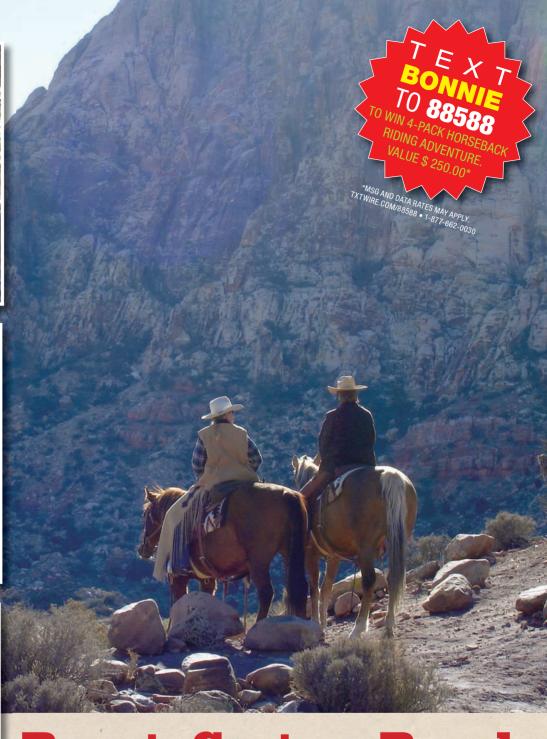












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WHY RETURN?

Britney Spears is Heading to Las Vegas

One of pop music's biggest superstars revealed the much anticipated announcement with a live interview on ABC's Good Morning America. **Britney** will usher in a new era of entertainment in Las Vegas along with the New Year, as the new show debuts over New Year Eve weekend on December 27, 2013. "Britney: Piece of Me" is not only for the die hard fans, but for anyone who enjoys pop theatre at its finest. Presented in a fully reconstructed theatre at Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino, the show will feature one of the largest indoor immersive stage productions in the world, creating what will be the most cutting edge pop concert experience ever produced in Vegas.



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WHERE TO PLAY

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Legendary Nightspot Ghostbar at Palms Casino Resort receives a SLEEK Makeover. This amazing nightclub is located on the 55th floor of the Ivory Tower at Palms Casino Resort. On October 19th the return of Ghostbar Dayclub (GBDC) is the cold weather answer to the wildly popular pool parties. Promising to amp up its exuberant daytime escapades to match the sleek and sexy new look of the hot spot that elevated Palms to the spotlight of Vegas nightlife, the Ghostbar has been given a head to toe makeover in a palette of black, white and striking fuscia. With Muranostyle chandeliers, smooth leather banquettes with ornate wood carved legs, 14-foot floor-to-ceiling windows and signature panoramic views of the strip surrounded by lush greenery on the skydeck, Ghostbar's new look brings it back to the upper echelon of Las Vegas nightlife.



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VooDoo Zip Line soars into Rio All Suite Hotel and Casino in early November 2013. This will be Las Vegas' first and only zipline attraction to offer breathtaking views of the world-renowned Las Vegas Strip. The Las Vegas attraction will begin on the patio of the VooDoo Steakhouse, located on the 50th floor of The Masquerade Tower, and will propel riders at speeds of 22 miles per hour. Guests will make a return trip back to the starting point, traveling backwards at 20 miles per hour. The feet dangling, adrenaline rush will accommodate 2 riders at once, more that 490 feet above the ground.

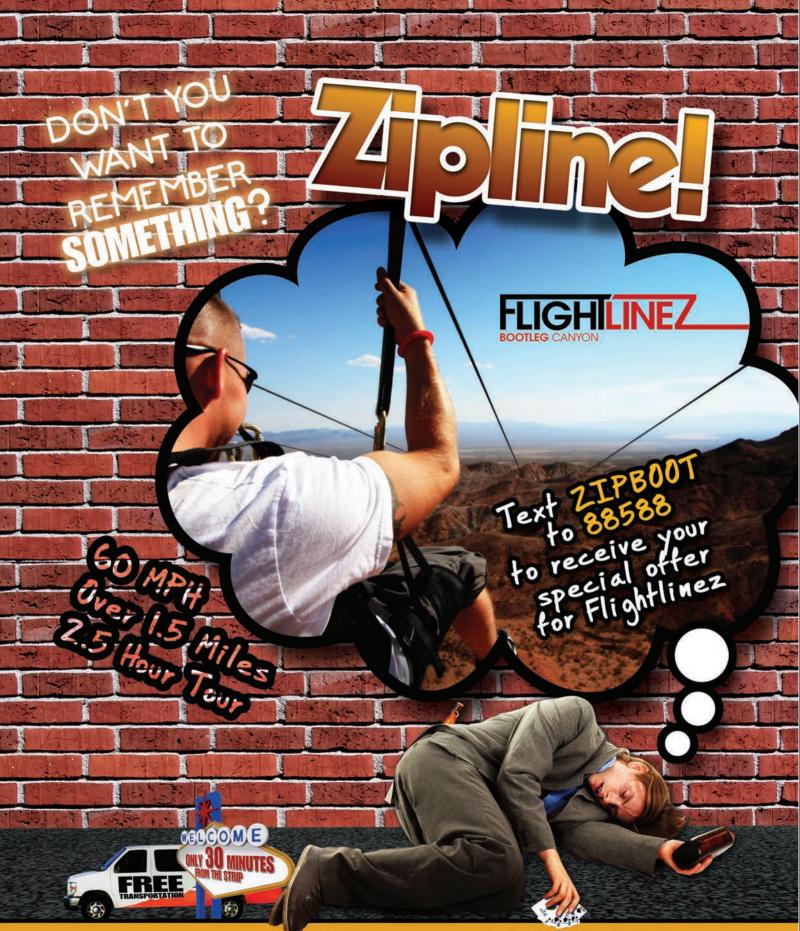


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The 'Boys Are Back in Town

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The world's best cowboys will compete in bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, saddle bronc riding, tiedown roping, barrel racing and bull riding during the 10-day season-ending championship event of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Trevor Brazile of Decatur, Texas, is back atop the leaderboard in earnings this year and is looking to continue his dominance at NFR, where he has won seven consecutive All-Around World Championship crowns. Last year, Brazile won his seventh Wrangler NFR all-around gold buckle, breaking the record he had shared with Ty Murray and Tom Ferguson. Brazile has won 17 world titles and earned more than \$4.5 million on the PRCA circuit.

Along with rodeo's premier event returning to Las Vegas – home to the NFR since 1985 – enthusiasts can also get into the cowboy culture through various concerts and events that coincide with NFR.

Country and pop music's biggest stars will be performing in Las Vegas during the NFR, including Shania Twain, Wynonna, Gretchen Wilson, Dwight Yoakam, Willie Nelson, Justin McBride, Merle Haggard, Montgomery Gentry with the Charlie Daniels Band, the Black Crowes, Beyonce, Third Eye Blind and more.

The interactive Cowboy FanFest at the Las Vegas Convention Center, adjacent to the Cowboys Christmas Gift Show,

is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and showcases the western lifestyle, including world champion livestock, NFR contestant autograph sessions and more. There is no admission and it's a great precursor to each night's excitement.

Several resorts also host after parties following the live performances, attended by the rodeo stars. The Mirage hosts Rodeo Vegas, the official after party every night throughout NFR. Admission is free with live entertainment each night. The MGM Grand, Gold Coast and South Point resorts also host nightly events.

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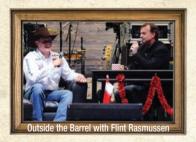




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Cowboy Christmas, the 300,000-square-foot shopper's paradise in the north hall of the Las Vegas Convention Center, is open

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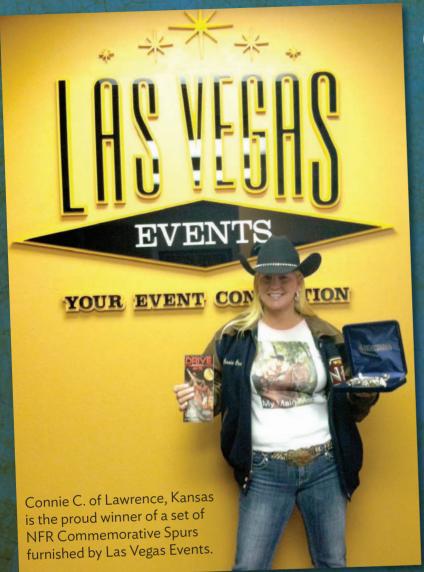
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"Our partnership and text messaging campaign with DRIVE+FLY for the 2011 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo was a key component in the overall marketing strategy," says Michael Mack, Vice President of Marketing, Las Vegas Events.

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Pop Icon Moves into Planet Hollywood

Britney Spears performing greatest hits and more

pop diva Britney Spears will showcase her signature style and high energy in her much anticipated Las Vegas show, "Britney: Piece of Me" inside Planet Hollywood.

Beginning Friday, Dec. 27, Britney's show will include songs from her 15-plus years of chart-topping hits and some of her most infectious dance numbers, along with tracks from her eighth studio album.

Celebrating the pop star's massive success, "Britney: Piece of Me" couples a high-energy concert with a pulsating, nightclub feel. Planet Hollywood's venue houses the world's largest indoor projection theater and offers an explosive, theatrical experience. Show goers can relive their favorite Britney moments, all while dancing the night away.

"I'm going to definitely do the greatest hits, but I'm going to have to put some of my new material in it to just keep it fresh," Spears said on a recent interview on "Good Morning America".

The award-winning superstar has sold one hundred million albums worldwide and garnered a string of hits including "Baby One More Time," "(You Drive Me) Crazy," "Oops!...I Did It Again," "I'm A Slave 4 U," "Toxic," and "Womanizer," among others. Britney's Las Vegas show is slated for a twoyear residency, with the possibility of an extended run.

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Among the tenants is the "Island," aka Tommy Bahama. The beachy vibe reverberates through the menu and merchandise, dining room and comfy patio that overlooks, the actual Town Square.

The entryway takes you away. First is the shop full of resortwear, beach togs and south seas apparel, mostly favoring Bahama-esque pastels.

Men, check out the Flying Fishbone Flat-Front pants. Women, no matter what you choose, plan to add in some of the all too cool accessories here. Everybody, into the pool, with a colorful choice from the boffo swimsuit collection and slip into some stylish Bahama shades.

So with shopping in the bag, you then matriculate into the dining area. And now the desert really becomes just a distant memory. This is the land of airiness and light, golden sunset on the water hues, abundant greenery, tropical ceiling fans, lots of rattan . . . and a seaside menu.

What to have, what to have. Well while the entrée decision tugs you, treat yourself to some "World Famous Coconut Shrimp," so good on their own you hardly need the accompanying papaya-mango chutney and Asian slaw {but take them anyway}. The Macadamia Nut Encrusted Goat Cheese sings a bit of a siren song too, as does the fruit and nut Bungalow Salad.

Onward. The Bungalow Favorites lead off with a crowd favorite,

the blackened fish tacos that shift into overdrive with tomato relish, chipotle aioli, lime sour cream and Asian slaw. This section is also where the Cuban sandwich and baby backs with blackberry brandy BBQ reside.

Or maybe you'd prefer chicken and mango salad, or roasted jerk chicken, or Hawaiian style black cod. All in all the menu offers a tasty cruise throughout the Caribbean.

Don't forget dessert! Pina colada cake is a slice of island heaven, but then there's also that malted chocolate pie that adds in mocha mousse and English toffee crumble to give wretched excess a good name.

And if you're thinking, I'll drink to that, well are you in luck. Along with more classic versions, specialty cocktails call on such flavors as pineapple, coconut, pomegranate, mango, banana, even jalapeno. Cheers.

In addition to store-side metered parking, there are also spacious lots offering free parking all around Town Square. Can't miss this colorful complex at 6605 Las Vegas Boulevard South, on the southwest corner at Sunset Road.

Find Tommy Bahama adjacent to the Town Square, bound by North Street and South Street, Town Square East and Town Square West. The restaurant opens daily at 11am, and Island Time Happy Hour rolls out from 4pm-7pm. 702-948-8006, tommybahama.com.

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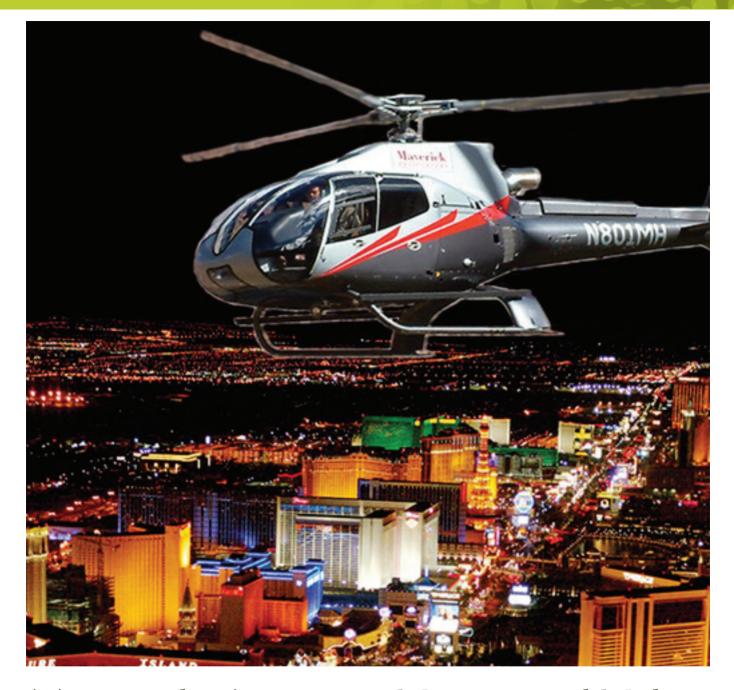
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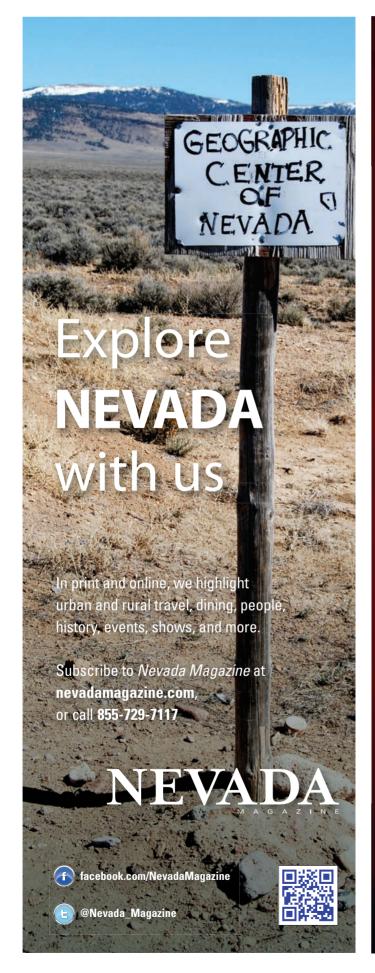
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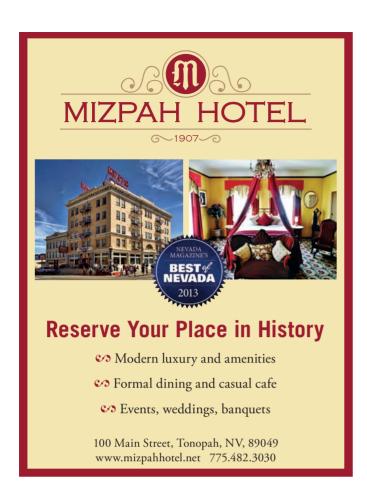
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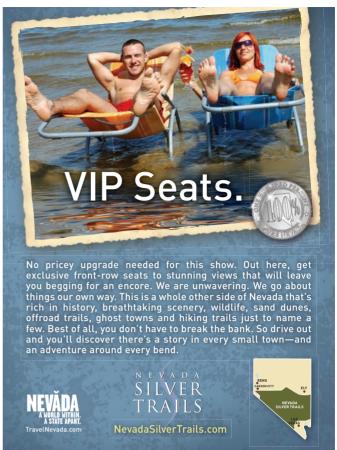


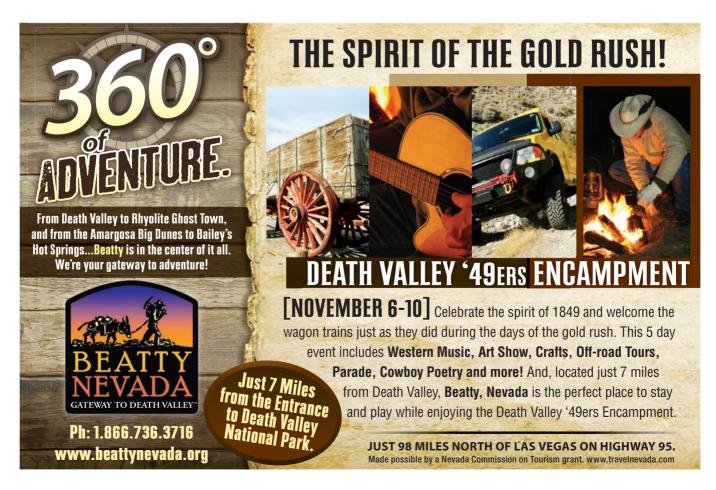














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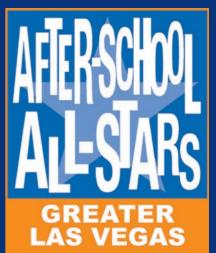
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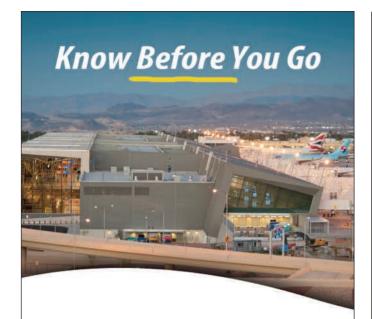
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